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FM AMEMBASSY BUDAPEST

TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 1530

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CASC (NITZCHKE, MR. AND MRS. J.D.)

SUBJECT: W/W MR. AND MRS. J.D. NITZCHKE

REF: STATE 127671

1. EMBASSY CLOSELY FAMILIAR WITH NITZCHKE CASE. MR. NITZCHKE HOSPITALIZED ON EMERGENCY BASIS IN BUDAPEST MAY 15 WITH PERFORATED ULCER-PERITONITIS. MRS. NITZCHKE CALLED EMBASSY IN PANIC; DUTY OFFICER MET WITH HER PROMPTLY AT HOSPITAL; CONSUL SPOKE WITH HER EXTENSIVELY FOLLOWING DAY. MRS. NITZCHKE DECLINED CONSUL'S OFFER TO VISIT HUSBAND. CONSUL EXPLAINED EMBASSY'S WILLINGNESS TO ASSIST WITH FUNDS TRANSFERS, VISAS, NECESSARY INTERPRETATION, ETC. WE HAVE BEEN IN CLOSE TELEPHONE CONTACT WITH MRS. NITZCHKE ALL WEEK.

2. FRIDAY MAY 19 MRS. NITZCHKE PHONED TO REPORT THAT HUSBAND HAS TAKEN TURN FOR WORSE AND MAY DIE. SHE ASKED ABOUT FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS AND TRANSPORT OF REMAINS TO U.S. WE ASSURED HER EMBASSY WOULD HANDLE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS. QUOTED HER TOTAL COST FIGURE OF DOLS 4000. SHE PROBABLY ADDED IN ADDITIONAL SUM FOR ANTICIPATED HOSPITAL EXPENSES WHEN SHE TELEPHONED TO U.S.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE CONTACT E.W. MACHAMER OF AMOCO OIL (4517 PAPER MILL ROAD, MARIETTA, GEORGIA 30067 AND EXPLAIN SITUATION, AND ARRANGE FUNDS TRANSFER ASAP OF DOLS 5000 TO UNCLASSIFIED

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MRS. NITZCHKE HERE BY SCS/TRUST. COMMENT: MRS. NITZCHKE TOLD CONSUL SHE HAD ASKED FOR BANK-TO-BANK FUNDS TRANSFER FROM U.S. BY PHONE. HOWEVER, HER EMOTIONAL STATE IS SUCH THAT WE PREFER ALTERNATE SCS/TRUST ROUTE. IF WE CAN ASSURE HER THAT FUNDS ARE ENROUTE SHE WILL BE GREATLY RELIEVED.
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